

## Public Hearing Is Set On 'Community Unit' Zoning Classification

\$15,000,000 Project At Connecticut and Florida Is at Issue

A public hearing will be held February 5 by the Zoning Commission to consider an amendment to the zoning code which would set up a "community unit" classification for regulating development of large tracts—a plan suggested one means of permitting the proposed \$15,000,000 Crystal City project at Connecticut and Florida avenues N.W.

The Commission, sitting in executive session yesterday, deferred action on the request of promoters of the Crystal City project for increased height limits and for business use on this tract in connection with the multiple apartment and hotel plan. However, it appeared possible the Crystal City project might be considered again by the Zoning Commission or by the Board of Zoning Adjustment before the February 5 hearing, if changes were made in its scope.

As the plan now stands, stores would be developed along the Connecticut avenue frontage and a theater near the intersection of the two avenues. Neither business nor theaters would be permitted in residential sections under the proposed new "community unit" classification, except that drug stores, barber shops and similar businesses could be located inside hotels or apartments, such as is permitted under present regulations.

**Revision of Plans Sought.**  
Engineer Commissioner David McCaugh, chairman of the Zoning Commission, has asked members of the Zoning Advisory Council to confer with promoters of the Crystal City project concerning revision of plans which would eliminate the proposed Connecticut avenue business front.

The "community unit" proposal came from members of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission. A tentative draft now being studied by the Advisory Council reads: "Permit the owner or owners of any tract of land comprising an area of not less than (number yet to be stated) acres the use and development of all of such tract of land for residential purposes, even though the use of the land, the levels from which the height of buildings shall be measured and the use and location of structures, including the yards and open spaces required by the zoning regulations, do not conform in all respects to the zoning regulations. Such development plan shall be referred to the National Capital Park and Planning Commission for study and report."

**Points to Be Considered.**  
"In acting upon the application for such development the Board of Zoning Adjustment shall consider the following:

"1. That the values of buildings and the character of the property adjacent to the area included in said plan will not be adversely affected.

"2. That said plan is consistent with the intent and purpose of this ordinance to promote public health, safety, morals and general welfare.

"3. That the buildings shall be used only for residential purposes and the usual accessory uses, such as automobile parking areas, garages and community activities, including churches."

The Zoning Commission deferred action on a proposal by the Park and Planning Commission to amend the zoning code to limit the maximum height of buildings throughout the city to 110 feet.

The Zoning Commission denied a petition for a change of zoning at the southeast corner of Thirteenth street and Massachusetts avenue N.W. to permit erection of a hotel estimated to cost \$500,000. It also denied a petition for B restricted zoning for property on the west side of Foxhall road between Reservoir road and Q street N.W.

**Merry Fahrney Is Sued For \$5,616 Clothing**

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The high cost of clothing an heiress was brought to the State Supreme Court's attention yesterday when Ida H. Cohen filed suit to collect \$5,616 on two demand notes from the married Merry Fahrney, heiress to a Chicago patent medicine fortune.

Papers in the suit disclosed that one demand note was for \$2,616, which the plaintiff said Miss Fahrney spent for clothes between last May 21 and June 19.

During a one-day shopping tour last June 7, the papers asserted, she bought \$970 worth of clothes, including a \$295 two-piece green print suit, plus \$10 for alterations; two \$185 costumes consisting of jacket, blouse and skirt, and a \$295 black-and-white print gown.

Miss Cohen brought suit as assignee for Stanley Korshak of Chicago and said all the clothes involved had been bought in Chicago.

**Shanghai Roosevelt Text Broadcast Is Blocked**

SHANGHAI, Jan. 3.—Alleged Japanese interference with the broadcasting of local American radio station XHMA continued last night, jamming the station's broadcast of the full text of President Roosevelt's latest fireside address.

Since a recent American protest, Japanese consular officials have repeatedly informed Americans they hoped to arrange a cessation of interference.

**British Captain 'Would Run Like Hell' From Raider**

HONOLULU, Jan. 3.—The British motorship Oarangi arrived today bearing four British officers, including Capt. W. E. Nattie, reported en route to Australia to take command of the Queen Mary.

Capt. T. V. Mickey of the Oarangi said the ship would continue toward the Antipodes. Asked what he would do if he met the German raider reported operating in the South Pacific, Capt. Mickey replied:

"I'd turn and run like hell!"



**TO SPEAK AT CATHEDRAL**—William Lafayette Lewis, president of Lafayette College and former head of George Washington University, will speak at Washington Cathedral tomorrow at 4 p.m. His address on "A Sure Defense" is the first of a series of speeches to be made by national leaders at the Cathedral during the coming year.

## Gun Output Mounting, Air Corps Doubled, Army Tells Congress

Ordnance Production Reported 50 Per Cent Over 1939 Level

By the Associated Press.  
Members of Congress intent on realizing President Roosevelt's announced objective of making the United States "the great arsenal of democracy" got a general picture of the status of the program today in a progress report from the War Department.

Robert P. Patterson, Assistant Secretary of War, told a press conference yesterday that:

Man power of the Army Air Corps has been virtually doubled in the last six months, and by January 15 will include 6,180 officers, 7,000 flying cadets and 83,000 enlisted men.

Orders have been placed within the past year for \$2,000,000,000 worth of guns, shells, tanks and other material, exclusive of fighting planes.

Ordnance production was up more than 500 per cent over the 1939 level, with 100,000 Garand semi-automatic rifles on hand and a total of 400,000 of these weapons expected to be ready by the end of the year.

**Some Construction Delayed.**  
Fifty-seven construction projects in the \$1,137,000,000 emergency program for building cantonments and munitions plants were on time or ahead of schedule. However, induction of more than 18,000 National Guardsmen into Federal service had to be postponed because of delays in other portions of the big construction program.

Mr. Patterson said the delays were caused by unfavorable weather, lumber strikes, and "other conditions over which the War Department had no control."

The department also announced that expenditure of \$90,389,095 had been approved by the President and the National Defense Commission for expansion of plants and production of airplane engines and other defense products.

**Plane Plants Expanded.**  
Included were expansion of facilities and the production of airplane frames at North American Aviation at Inglewood, Calif., totaling \$2,270,405; expansion of tooling and production of Wright airplane engines at the Studebaker Corp. plants at South Bend, Ind.; Fort Wayne, Ind., and Chicago at an estimated cost of \$36,799,300; expansion of facilities and production of Pratt and Whitney airplane engines at the Buick Motor Division of General Motors at Grand Blanc township, Genesee County, Mich., at an estimated cost of \$24,313,150; construction of a new airplane supercharger plant and production of superchargers by the General Electric plant at Everett, Mass., at an estimated cost of \$5,873,800; and construction of a Government-owned ammonia plant at West Harrison, Ky., at an estimated cost of \$11,132,440.

The number of units to be produced under the contracts and the dates when the new facilities will go into operation were not announced.

**Sharp Expansion Planned.**  
Army Air Corps orders were announced yesterday by which scores of groups and squadrons which have existed only on paper will come into being on January 15 to form the complete framework for the force of 12,000 operating planes contemplated ultimately.

Organized by splitting existing units, most of the new squadrons will operate only in skeleton form until warplanes "flow from production lines in adequate volume."

There was no estimate when the full fighting force of 54 combat groups would be fully manned, trained and equipped.

Last June 30 the Air Corps included 3,322 Regular and Reserve officers, 1,894 flying cadets and 45,914 enlisted men, the War Department said.

The goal of 54 combat groups calls for approximately 16,000 officers and 166,000 enlisted men. Toward this objective it was predicted that by next June 30 there will be 10,000 officers, 15,000 flying cadets and 151,000 enlisted men.

**Gen. Cox to Speak**  
Brig. Gen. Albert L. Cox, commander of the District Guard, will discuss "Woman's Speech in a Man's World" before the Symposium of Speech at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Mayflower Hotel. Mrs. Henry F. Grady, wife of the former Assistant Secretary of State, also will speak.

**Amateur Astronomers**  
Charles A. Federer, Jr., editor of the astronomical journal, The Sky, will lecture before the National Capital Amateur Astronomers' Association in the National Museum tomorrow at 8 p.m. Mr. Federer, secretary of the Amateur Astronomers' Association of New York, will speak on "Current Celestial Events."

## Any Steps Necessary To Beat Axis Urged On Congress

53 Sign Telegram Instigated by Douglas And Dr. Conant

By the Associated Press.  
NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The "mobilization of America for war—a war in which we may be fortunate enough not to sacrifice our blood if we do sacrifice freely of our wealth and work with unflinching energy" was urged yesterday in an open letter to Congress signed by 53 persons.

Many of the signatories joined in a recent round-robin telegram to President Roosevelt urging him to take any steps necessary to defeat the axis powers.

"We believe the axis powers will be defeated if we, the people of the United States, do our part—if we give prompt and effective aid to those countries which are now holding the axis tyrants at bay," the letter said.

"It means substituting one war material so long as they can pay for them and so long as it is convenient for us to produce them," it added. "It means turning our whole productive resources and ingenuity wholeheartedly over to one single-minded purpose."

"It means subordinating our ordinary needs to this one greater need of building ships and planes and tanks and guns. It means giving these things to those who are fighting the battle."

**Mindful of Risks.**  
The letter said the signers, acting as private citizens and speaking only for themselves, "cannot express an opinion as to the specific measures to be taken."

"We are mindful of the risks involved," the letter said. "We believe that these risks must be taken in order to avoid the greater danger of an axis victory."

Among the signers were Lewis W. Douglas, former director of the budget, and Dr. James B. Conant, president of the Harvard University, who were the instigators of the round-robin telegram.

Other signers were: Franklin P. Adams, newspaper columnist; David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union; Dr. Harry Gideonse, president of Brooklyn College; E. R. Harriman, New York banker; Dr. Ernest M. Hopkins, president of Dartmouth College; Herbert Agar, Louisville newspaper editor; William M. Jeffers, president of the Union Pacific Railroad; James P. Warburg, author and economist; Alexander Woollcott, writer; Robert E. Sherwood, playwright; Dean G. Acheson, Washington lawyer.

Hamilton Fish Armstrong, editor of Foreign Affairs; Frank Aydelotte, president of the Institute for Advanced Study; Frederick P. Bryan, assistant corporation counsel, New York; James Byrne, New York lawyer; Henry B. Cabot, Boston lawyer; Cass Canfield, president of Harper Bros., New York; Grenville Clark, New York attorney.

**Other Signers.**  
William Chanler, New York corporation counsel; Richard E. Danielson, Boston; Charles E. Diehl, president of Southwestern University; Henry S. Drinker, Philadelphia lawyer; Marshall Field, New York publisher; Thomas K. Finletter, New York lawyer; Horace Binney Hare, Philadelphia.

George L. Harrison, St. Davids, Pa.; Edwin P. Hubble, California Institute of Technology; Bishop Henry Hobson, Cincinnati; R. Sturgis Ingersoll, Philadelphia lawyer; Owen Johnson, Stockbridge (Mass.) author; James M. Landis, dean, Harvard Law School; A. Lawrence Lowell, former president, Harvard University; Goodhue Livingston, Jr., Health Department, New York; Robert T. McCracken, Philadelphia lawyer; Chase Millen, former Republican county chairman, New York; Robert A. Millikan, president of California Institute of Technology.

Walter Millis, New York author; William A. Neilson, former president, Smith College; George Stuart Patterson, Philadelphia cotton merchant; Lewis Perry, headmaster Phillips Exeter Academy; Winfield W. Riefler, Institute for Advance Study; George Rublee, Washington lawyer; Frank Russell, president, National Aviation Corp.; Maurice B. Saul, Philadelphia lawyer.

Elery Sedgwick, former editor, Atlantic Monthly; Charles Seymour, president, Yale University; Robert E. Strawbridge, Philadelphia merchant; Henry P. van Dusen, Union Theological Seminary; Edward Weeks, editor, Atlantic Monthly; Westmore Wilcox, Jackson & Curtis, New York, and Bronson Winthrop, New York lawyer.

**Cuba Honors Students**  
Shot by Spanish in 1871

Medical students shot in Cuba by the Spanish in 1871 have been paid due honor after a controversy watched closely by Havana police.

Because disorders had been predicted, the University Students' Federation canceled a program. A special university students' committee, however, carried it out. No disorders occurred.

The ceremony was held near a plaque marking the spot where a Spanish officer, Nicolas Estevanez, convinced the men were innocent, had broken his sword over his knee in protest.

**Shirley Temple Soon To Resume Career**

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Jan. 3.—Shirley Temple says she's going back "kinda dull"—so she's heading school into pictures at \$2,500 a week.

Shirley, her parents and attorney appeared in court yesterday for approval of a contract to play opposite Mickey Rooney in a new series of Andy Hardy pictures.

The contract, effective February 15, for 40 weeks, provides that the studio will be required to arrange for her education during that time and that half of all her net earnings will be put in a trust fund for her.

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## Britain Wants More American Destroyers To Battle Raiders

Matter Expected To Be One of First Taken Up by New Ambassador

By the Associated Press.  
LONDON, Jan. 3.—Britain wants more United States destroyers to help "hunt, catch and kill submarine and surface raiders," reliable sources declared today.

One informant intimated that Britain's need for additional United States destroyers and cargo ships to replace those being sunk would be among the first matters discussed when Lord Halifax reaches Washington to take up his post as the new British Ambassador.

**4,500,000 Tons Reported Sunk.**  
In 16 months of war at sea approximately 4,500,000 tons of British, Allied and neutral shipping has been reported sunk, emphasizing the need for cargo ships and the graver need of more destroyers to protect them.

"The more unprotected ships there are on the Atlantic routes the more targets," one source asserted. "We want more destroyers to protect them and to hunt and catch and kill submarine and surface raiders."

In connection with the desire for more United States destroyers, maritime circles pointed to the assertion by Food Minister Lord Woolton that "the enemy is making a direct attack on our foodships" and "the danger is much worse than it was in the last war."

**Sacrifice to Aid Armies.**  
Britons must reduce the meat in their daily diet because food-carrying ships have been diverted to transporting munitions to British armies in Africa, Lord Woolton said today.

Explaining a reduction, ordered yesterday and effective January 6, in the weekly meat ration from the equivalent of 44 cents to 36 cents, Woolton asserted:

"We are deliberately sacrificing meat at home for munitions in Libya."

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